

No 71

Claim No 71.

Under Article 14. Treaty of 14<sup>th</sup> June 1866.  
with Creek Indians.

The undersigned, Miley Cooks, <sup>(35)</sup> a freed-  
woman, and widow of Joney Dyle, 83<sup>rd</sup> U.S. Col'd Troop,  
who died in the Army; a Refugee; being duly examined  
and sworn: (She understanding and conversing in the  
English language;) deposes and says: Whilst living at  
her home, with her husband, at the Old Council ground,  
Creek Nation, and sometime in the month of August  
1863. She and her husband, were driven away by the  
Rebels, under command of General Cooper, and fled to  
Kansas, where he enlisted in the Union Army, and  
afterwards died - leaving her his sole executrix in law,  
And this deponent further says, that, at the time of  
their flight from home as aforesaid her said husband  
owned and possessed, and did necessarily abandon  
and lose all the property hereinafter stated, and that  
neither her husband or herself ever recovered the same  
or any part thereof: To say:

6	Set Indian Horses,	at \$50 each	\$ 300.00.
3	Three Steers,	at \$20 <sup>15</sup> \$15 <sup>15</sup> \$15.	50.00.
80	Eighty Hogs	at \$2 <sup>50</sup> each	200.00.
100	Bushels Corn \$100.	40 Bushels Wheat \$40.	140.00
Lot	House Furniture, Beds, Bedding &c Ware &c		75.00
Lot	Garden Vegetables.		25.00
making a total value of			\$ 790.00



Seven hundred and ninety dollars. Further this  
deponent saith not.

Miley Cooks.

her  
X  
mark

Subscribed and sworn to before me, at the Creek  
Agency on this 9<sup>th</sup> day of November A.D. 1869.

*[Signature]*  
Wm. Oct. 11. Asst. Supt. Ind. Affs. S. O. Supten

The undersigned, Sugar T. George, and John  
Cooks, (not related to the claimant,) Freedmen of the  
Creek Nation & loyal refugees, being jointly, duly examined  
and sworn, (they understanding and conversing in the  
English language) do depose and say: They are not interested  
in the claim of Miley Cooks in any pecuniary manner whatever.  
That they have heard the foregoing affidavit read to them & know  
its contents, & that the same is correct. That to their own knowl-  
edge the claimant Miley Cooks is the widow of the said Doney,  
dec'd, and entitled to the property he owned - and that at the  
time of the flight of himself and his wife, he owned and possessed  
all the property stated in the foregoing deposition and did abandon  
and lose the same as stated therein. Further these deponents don't say.

Sugar Teeth George,

his  
X

John Cooks.

his  
X  
mark

Subscribed & sworn to before me at the Creek  
Agency on this 9<sup>th</sup> day of November A.D. 1869.

*[Signature]*  
Wm. Oct. 11. Asst. Supt. Ind. Affs.,  
South Supten.



## Awards

The loss of property specified above is deemed established by the foregoing testimony. Also, the status of claimant. The amount claimed, however, is, in some instances, considered excessive. Upon inquiry, it is found, the values of the different kinds of property, at the time the loss occurred, ruled as follows:-

Horses - Indian.	\$15.00 Each.
Steers -	8.00 ..
Hogs -	2.00 ..
Corn - per bushel.	50 ..
Wheat - per bushel.	1.00 ..

and for the following one-half the claimed value:-

House furniture, beds, bedding, (have) &c. -	\$37.50.
Garden Vegetables -	12.50

In consideration of these, and all other facts attainable, bearing upon the case, we believe it just and equitable to award this claimant Wiley looks - four hundred and fourteen dollars

\$414 <sup>50</sup>/<sub>100</sub>.

*A. B. Hays*

Brevet Major General U. S. Army.  
Supt. Indian Affairs, Southern Superintendency

*F. A. Smith*

Capt. U. S. Army - Creek Agent.